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IN RE APPLICATION OF: :
Jun TATSUTA, et al. : EXAMINER: CRUZ, L.
SERIAL NO: 10/026,639 :
FILED: December 27, 2001 : GROUP: 2827
FOR: SEMICONDUCTOR-CHIP :
MOUNTING SUBSTRATE AND :
METHOD OF MANUFACTURING :
THE SAME :

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In response to the Official Action dated November 29, 2002, Applicants elect with
traverse the invention of Group I, Claims 1-21, drawn to a semiconductor device.

Applicants respectfully traverse the restriction requirement for the following reason.

MPEP § 803 states:

... If the search and examination of an entire application can
be made without serious burden, the Examiner must examine it
on the merits, even though it includes claims to distinct or
independent inventions.

The claims of the present invention would appear to be part of an overlapping search area.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully traverse the outstanding requirement on the grounds that
a search and examination of the entire application would not place a *serious* burden on the
Examiner.

Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the requirement to elect a single invention be withdrawn, and that a full examination on the merits of Claims 1-26 be conducted.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

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Our check in the amount of _____ is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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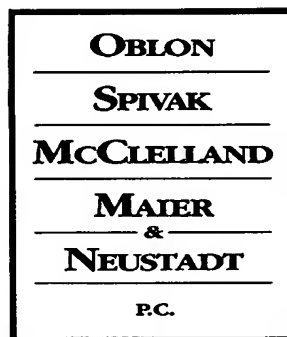
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